

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Withdrawn) A multilayer polymeric film, said film comprising:
 - a first layer, said first layer comprising a polyamide;
 - a second layer, said second layer comprising an adhesive, said second layer disposed in contact with said first layer;
 - a third layer, said third layer comprising a polyamide, said third layer disposed in contact with said second layer;
 - a fourth layer, said fourth layer comprising an adhesive, said fourth layer disposed in contact with said third layer;
 - a fifth layer, said fifth layer comprising a polyamide, said fifth layer disposed in contact with said fourth layer;
 - a sixth layer, said sixth layer comprising an adhesive, said sixth layer disposed in contact with said fifth layer; and
 - a seventh layer, said seventh layer comprising a polymer that may provide a heat-sealable and easily peelable layer, said seventh layer disposed in contact with said sixth layer.
2. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the seventh layer comprises a seal poisoning agent to allow a heat seal formed from the seventh layer to be easily peelable.
3. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the seventh layer comprises a polymer selected from the group consisting of polybutylene, polypropylene and high density polyethylene.

4. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the seventh layer comprises a blend of polymers wherein the blend comprises a polymer selected from the group consisting of polybutylene, polypropylene and high density polyethylene.
5. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the seventh layer comprises a blend of polymers wherein the blend comprises a first polymer selected from the group consisting of ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer or a polyethylene and further wherein the blend comprises a second polymer selected from the group consisting of polybutylene, polypropylene, and high density polyethylene.
6. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 5 wherein the polyethylene comprises linear low density polyethylene.
7. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the total thickness of the film is between about 1.5 mils and about 8.0 mils.
8. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the second, fourth, and sixth layers comprise an anhydride modified polyethylene.
9. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the film is thermoformable.
10. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the first, third and fifth layers comprise nylon.
11. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 1 wherein the film does not contain a layer of EVOH.
12. (Withdrawn) A multilayer polymeric film, said film comprising:
a first layer, said first layer comprising a polyamide;

a second layer, said second layer comprising an adhesive polymer, said second layer disposed in contact with said first layer;

a third layer, said third layer comprising a polyamide, said third layer disposed in contact with said second layer;

a fourth layer, said fourth layer comprising an adhesive polymer, said fourth layer disposed in contact with said third layer;

a fifth layer, said fifth layer comprising a polyamide, said fifth layer disposed in contact with said fourth layer;

a sixth layer, said sixth layer comprising a blend of an adhesive polymer and a second polymer, said sixth layer disposed in contact with said fifth layer; and

a seventh layer, said seventh layer comprising a heat sealable polymer, said seventh layer disposed in contact with said sixth layer,

and further wherein said sixth layer easily delaminates from said seventh layer when said seventh layer is pulled from said sixth layer.

13. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein the sixth layer comprises a seal-poisoning agent to allow the seal formed between the sixth and seventh layers to be easily peelable when the seventh layer is pulled from the sixth layer.

14. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein said first, third, and fifth layers comprise nylon.

15. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein said second, fourth, and sixth layers comprise an anhydride modified polyethylene.

16. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein said second polymer of the sixth layer is selected from the group consisting of polybutylene, polypropylene and high density polyethylene.

17. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein said seventh layer comprises a heat sealable polymer selected from the group consisting of low density polyethylene, ethylene vinyl acetate, ethylene methyl acrylic acid, ethylene methyl acrylate, ethylene acrylic acid, ionomer, linear low density polyethylene, metallocene catalyzed polyethylene, medium density polyethylene, high density polyethylene, ultra low density polyethylene, and very low density polyethylene.

18. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein the total thickness of the film is between about 1.5 mils and about 8.0 mils.

19. (Withdrawn) The multilayer polymeric film of claim 12 wherein the film does not contain a layer of EVOH.

Claims 20-43 (Cancelled)

44. (Previously Presented) A frozen food package, said food package comprising:

a first coextruded multilayer polymeric film wherein said film comprises:

a first layer, said first layer comprising a polyamide;

a second layer, said second layer comprising an adhesive, said second layer disposed in contact with said first layer;

a third layer, said third layer comprising a polyamide, said third layer disposed in contact with said second layer;

a fourth layer, said fourth layer comprising an adhesive, said fourth layer disposed in contact with said third layer;

a fifth layer, said fifth layer comprising a polyamide, said fifth layer disposed in contact with said fourth layer;

a sixth layer, said sixth layer comprising an adhesive, said sixth layer disposed in contact with said fifth layer; and

a seventh layer, said seventh layer comprising a blend of polymers wherein the first polymer is ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer and the second polymer is polybutylene, said seventh layer disposed in contact with said sixth layer and wherein said seventh layer of said first multilayer polymeric film may be sealable to a second thermoformable multilayer polymeric film, and wherein the first multilayer polymeric film is easily peelable from the second multilayer polymeric film.

45. (Previously Presented) The frozen food package of claim 44 wherein said second multilayer polymeric film comprises:

a first layer, said first layer comprising a polyamide;

a second layer, said second layer comprising an adhesive, said second layer disposed in contact with said first layer;

a third layer, said third layer comprising a polyamide, said third layer disposed in contact with said second layer;

a fourth layer, said fourth layer comprising an adhesive, said fourth layer disposed in contact with said third layer;

a fifth layer, said fifth layer comprising a polyamide, said fifth layer disposed in contact with said fourth layer;

a sixth layer, said sixth layer comprising an adhesive, said sixth layer disposed in contact with said fifth layer; and

a seventh layer, said seventh layer comprising a heat sealable polymer or polymer blend wherein said polymer blend comprises linear low density polyethylene and ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer wherein said seventh layer is disposed in contact with said sixth layer, and

wherein said multilayer polymeric film does not contain an EVOH core layer.

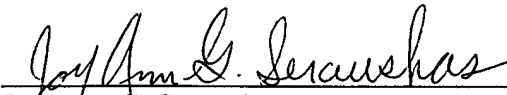
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